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CATEGORY OF SURAT RAILWAY STATION
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the category of railway stations under which the Surat railway station falls;

(b) the criteria fixed for determining the category for the same;

(c) whether even after being announced as category 'A' Railway Station, requisite facilities have not been provided at Surat Station;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the reaction of the Railways thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R. VELU)

(a): Surat railway station has been categorized as 'A-1' based on the Annual Passenger Earnings of 2006-07.

(b): Non-suburban stations with an annual passenger earnings of more than Rs.50 crore are categorized under 'A-1' category.

(c) to (e): Earlier Surat railway station was categorized as 'A' class station. Based on the annual earnings for the year 2006-07, revised classification of 'A-1' has been done for Surat railway station. All minimum essential amenities as per category 'A' have already been provided at this station. Additional amenities as per category 'A-1' are planned for completion in due course.